

dan. of Noah Emery, Esq.; d. May 22, 1790. Col. Folsom was "Lieut. Col. of the Exeter corps of Independent Cadets, commanded by Col. John Phillips." When John Langdon of Portsmouth pledged his private property for the support of an expedition under Gen. Stark against Burgoyne, President Weare, chairman of the Committee of Safety, delegated Col. Folsom to visit Gen. Stark, to convey to him money for present expenses, to see what articles were immediately needed, and "advise with all persons in the service of the State of New-Hampshire on such things as he thought needful to forward the business they are engaged in."

"Two years afterwards Col. F. was selected by the General Court to present to Col. Joseph Cilley, in behalf of the State, a pair of pistols which had been the property of Col. Stephen Holland, the tory absentee."

"Col. Folsom kept a public house, as his widow continued to do many years after his death. And it was at his house that General Washington stopped and partook of a collation when he visited Exeter in his Eastern tour in the autumn of 1789." (For these particulars, see "Exeter in 1776," prepared by the Hon. Charles H. Bell for the Ladies' Centennial Levee held in Exeter, Feb. 22, 1876.) Children (all by second marriage):

- i. NANCY,^s m. Joseph Tilton, Esq., of Exeter; d. childless, March 10, 1837.
- ii. SAMUEL,^s b. June 7, 1783.
- iii. ELIZABETH,^s b. 1785; m. (1) Noah Emery, Esq., 1811 (d. 1812); m. (2) Rev. Isaac Hurd, D.D., of the 2d church of Exeter. He was a favorite with the students of the Academy, not simply because his sermons were invariably short, but because he was a most amiable, scholarly, accomplished man—short in stature, but the largest and finest in culture of any clergyman whom they knew. Dr. Hurd d. 1856; his wife, 187-. They left one child, *Francis P.* (H. C. 1839, M.D. Penn. 1845), of Reading, Mass.
- iv. JOANNA,^s b. 1787; m. 1810, Samuel-B. Stevens; lived in Exeter; had several children, of whom was *Elizabeth*, wife of William Augustus Norton, A.M., Prof. of Civil Engineering in Yale College; also *Samuel*, who left a family now residing in New-York City.

20. TRUEWORTHY⁴ FOLSOM (*Jonathan*,² *John*,² *John*¹), not so "well to do" in the world as his brothers, the Colonel and the General, but superior to them both in humor and wit; m. Mary West, of Boston, by whom he had:

- i. JOHN-WEST,^s who came to the place where his mother was found by his father, learned the printers' trade, and became established as printer and bookseller. One of his books is entitled "Aphorisms of Wisdom from the works of various writers upon Divine Subjects. Boston: Printed and Sold by John W. Folsom, No. 30 Union St. M.DCC.XCIV." 214 pp. 12mo. The Aphorisms are taken chiefly from Swedenborg, a list and description of whose writings are given in an Appendix. He also printed and published, in 1785, "Doctrines of the New Jerusalem Church, concerning the Sacred Scriptures"—together with numerous minor works. Mr. F. was master of the Columbian Lodge, 1789-1801; the first secretary of the Mass. Charitable Mechanic Association, continuing in office 5 years; member of the Board of Health for Boston, 1803; a Justice of the Peace, 1817-22; d. 1823, aged 66 or 8.
- ii. SAMUEL,^s
- iii. MARY,^s m. to Benjamin Silsbee, 1786.
- iv. ANN,^s m. to Dudley Kimball, 1789.
- v. ELIZABETH,^s m. to Thomas Swazey, 1787.

21. JOSIAH⁴ FOLSOM (*Jonathan*,² *John*,² *John*¹) succeeded no better than his brother Trueworthy in getting worldly gear. His home in Dover, on the rising-ground southwardly from the village, had a fine outward look